

FISCAL MEMORANDUM
SB 3974 – HB 3915

March 14, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015219): Deletes the language of the original bill. Requires public and private institutions of higher education to adopt and reasonably implement a policy prohibiting the infringement of copyrighted works over the school's computer and network resources and to detail the penalties under federal law and school code; requires institutions to make efforts to post signs to remind students, staff and faculty of such policy; requires the public and private higher education systems to report to the Tennessee Higher Education Commission by April 1, 2009, reasonable efforts that have been taken in an attempt to deter infringement of copyrighted works over the school's network, and any actions that have been taken if an institution receives 50 or more notices in a year.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$9,515,000/One-Time
\$1,650,000/Recurring/FY08-09
\$1,969,500/Recurring/FY09-10
and Succeeding Years

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

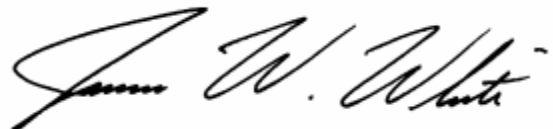
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumption applied to amendment:

- Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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